Internally Transportable Vehicle



Description

The Internally Transportable Vehicle (ITV) will be a highly mobile weaponscapable light strike platform that can support a variety of operations. It will provide MAGTF ground combat units with a vehicle that is internally transportable in CH-53 and MV-22 aircraft. It also will provide reconnaissance units equal or greater mobility than the Marine Air-Ground Task Force MAGTF maneuver elements they support, thereby enhancing their mission performance and survivability. This is a joint program with U. S. Special Operations Command; the Marine Corps is the lead service.

Operational Impact

The ITV will play a key role in Ship To Objective Maneuver, allowing MAGTF commanders to take maximum advantage of the speed and range offered by the MV-22 and CH-53 by deploying ground units equipped with highly mobile light-strike vehicles armed with heavy or medium machine guns. The Interim Fast Attack Vehicle is currently fielded and is deployable inside the CH-53 aircraft, but the GCE currently has no ground mobility platform that can deploy inside the MV-22.

Program Status

The ITV Program is in the System Development and Demonstration Phase. A Request For Proposals was published in February 2004, with a contract awarded to General Dynamics Ordnance and Tactical Systems in November 2004. Initial operational capability is scheduled for January 2007, when one infantry battalion receives eight ITVs.

Procurement Profile: FY 05 FY 06

Quantity (Prototypes): 4 8

Developer/Manufacturer:

American Growler, Ocala, FL